

**REISSUE APPLICATION DECLARATION BY THE ASSIGNEE**Docket Number (optional)  
20501.213RIS

I hereby declare that:

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I am authorized to act on behalf of the following assignee: Oreck Holdings, LLCand the title of my position with said assignee is: President

The entire title to the patent identified below is vested in said assignee.

Name of Patentee(s):

William G. Fish; Charles F. Malone

Patent Number

6,033,451

Date of Patent Issued

03/07/2000

Title of Invention

VACUUM CLEANER BAG DOCKING ASSEMBLY

I believe said patentee(s) to be the original, first and sole/joint inventor(s) of the subject matter which is described and claimed in said patent, for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled VACUUM CLEANER BAG DOCKING ASSEMBLY.

the specification of which

☒ is attached hereto.

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(If applicable)

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

I verily believe the original patent to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid, for the reasons described below. (Check all boxes that apply.)

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At least one error upon which reissue is based is described as follows: The original patent is partly inoperative or invalid due to the following reasons:

- 1) Patentee failed to claim the novel and inventive features of the vacuum bag disclosed in the specification.
- 2) Patentee failed to include claims which add recitation of the docking member in conjunction with a vacuum bag.


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Signature 		Date 2-27-02	
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<b>REISSUE APPLICATION: CONSENT OF ASSIGNEE; STATEMENT OF NON-ASSIGNMENT</b>		Docket Number (Optional) 20501.213RIS
This is part of the application for a reissue patent based on the original patent identified below.		
Name of Patentee(s) Oreck Holdings, LLC		
Patent Number 6,033,451	Date Patent Issued March 07, 2000	
Title of Invention VACUUM CLEANER BAG DOCKING ASSEMBLY		
<p>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Filed herein is a certificate under 37 CFR 3.73(b). (Form PTO/SB/96)</p> <p>2. <input type="checkbox"/> Ownership of the patent is in the inventor(s), and no assignment of the patent has been made.</p> <p>One of boxes 1 or 2 above must be checked. If multiple assignees, complete this form for each assignee. If box 2 is checked, skip the next entry and go directly to "Name of Assignee".</p> <p>The written consent of all assignees and inventors owning an undivided interest in the original patent is included in this application for reissue.</p>		
The assignee owning an undivided interest in said original patent is/are <u>Oreck Holdings, LLC</u> and the assignee(s) consents to the accompanying application for reissue.		
Name of assignee/inventor (if not assigned) Oreck Holdings, LLC		
Signature 	Date 2-27-02	
Typed or printed name and title of person signing for assignee (if assigned) Bruce J. Oreck, President		

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**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)**Applicant/Patent Owner: Oreck Holdings, LLCApplication No./Patent No.: 6,033,451Filed/Issue Date: 03/07/2000Entitled: VACUUM CLEANER BAG DOCKING ASSEMBLYOreck Holdings, LLC, a corporation

(Name of Assignee)

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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is empowered to sign this statement on behalf of the assignee.

2-27-02  
Date

  
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Bruce J. Oreck  
Typed or printed name

President  
Title